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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

PATENT

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First Named Inventor or Application Identifier: Peter Paul Zilla; Deon Bezuidenhout
Title: FOAM-TYPE VASCULAR PROSTHESIS WITH WELL-DEFINED ANGIO-PERMISSIVE OPEN POROSITY

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We are transmitting the following:

☒ **Patent Application Transmittal**

☒ **Specification**

Total Pages: 33 (cover/title page 1 sheet; specification 16 sheets; claims 15 sheets; abstract 1 sheet)

☒ **Drawings**

Total Sheets: 3 (☒ formal; ___ informal)

☒ **Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney:**

___ Newly executed (**Unsigned**)

☒ Copy from prior application

___ Deletion of inventor(s) -- signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b))

☒ Incorporation by reference -- *The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied above is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference herein.*

☒ **Accompanying application parts:**

☒ Notification of filing a ☒ Continuation ___ Divisional ___ Continuation-in-Part

☒ Assignment of the invention to Medtronic, Inc.

☒ Assignment cover sheet

☒ Information Disclosure Statement

☒ PTO Form 1449

___ Copies of IDS citations

☒ Associate Power of Attorney

___ A copy of the Petition or Condition Petition for Extension of Time in the prior application

☒ Return postcard

IF A CONTINUING APPLICATION:

☒ Continuation ___ Divisional ___ Continuation-in-Part
of prior application no. 09/434,649 filed November 5, 1999 and 60/144,704 filed July 20, 1999..

☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: This application is a
☒ Continuation ___ Divisional ___ Continuation-in-Part of application number 09/434,649
filed November 5, 1999.

☒ Cancel in this application original claims 1-54 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one of the original independent claims must be retained for filing purposes.)

☒ The prior application is assigned of record to Medtronic, Inc.

☒ The Power of Attorney in the prior application is to: REED DUTHLER.



☒ This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application(s) Serial No. 60/144,704 filed July 20, 1999 and Utility Application Serial No. 09.434,649 filed November 5, 1999.

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FEE CALCULATION

	No. Of Claims Filed	Claims Included in Base Fee	No. Of Extra Claims	Rate	Fee
Total Claims	58	20 =	38	x \$ 18	\$684.00
Independent Claims	4	3 =	1	x \$84	84.00
Multiple Dependent Claim(s)		0 =		+ \$ 270	
Basic Filing Fee			0		\$750.00
TOTAL					\$1,518.00

☒ Charge Deposit Account No. 13-2546 the sum of \$750.00 (Filing Fee); \$684.00 (Total Claims) and \$84.00 for Independent Claims for a total of **\$1,518.00.**

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2546. A duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed.

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Serial No.: Unassigned

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Title: Foam-Type Vascular Prosthesis with Well-Defined Angio-Permissive Open Porosity

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